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Letting The World Know

THE FRIENDS OF DAVE LYNE of Robin Ridge Drive, Feeding Hills, let the world know that Dave can now officially use the old Jack Benny slogan "It's my 39th birthday" with a smile for the rest of his life. This huge sign, found on the corner of North and North Westfield Streets, was the work of Feeding Hills residents Eddie Plante and Jimmy Marmo. Dave is a long time member and coach of the Agawam Athletic Association. His friends are now saying - "Dave Lyne At 40 - It's A Matter Of Maintenance. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

Council Sets Tax Rate At \$25

By Stuart Parker

Town Council voted 7-6 to have one equal tax rate for residential and commercial property at Tuesday's regular meeting at the Public Library.

The council did adopt a \$25 tax rate for this year for owners of commericial and residential property, but must wait for final approval from the state to imple-

Property owners here will not get much of a tax break because recently completed 100 percent revaluation of town property has doubled and in some cases tripled property values, negating tax cuts mandated by Proposition 2 1/2

Want's Last Years Rate

With Councilor Frederick Nardi absent, and Councilor Paul Paleologopoulos abstaining because, can't vote without knowing the residential/commercial ratio from last year, that is why I've been requesting these figures from Town Hall," the issue was put on the backburner.

Many neighboring communities are taxing commercial property at a higher rate than residential property in order to keep the amount of revenue collected from each equal to the amount collected prior to revaluations. The revaluations have genrally increased the value of residential property much more than the value of commercial property.

The narrow vote overturned a vote taken only several minutes before which would have had a 10 per-

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Game Room's License Nixed For 30 Days

After several weeks of pleading from Police Chief Stanley J. Chmielewski to shut down the Village Arcade in Feeding Hills Center, Town Council has suspended for thirty days the license of the Springfield Street game room.

Suspended License For 30 Days

At a meeting Tuesday, the council voted to suspend owner Robert DeSimone's license effective on Wednes-day, April 21. Although Chmielewski failed to receive the complete closing of the arcade, he today told the Advertiser/News that he views the council action as positive.

'Of course, I would have liked to see the council close the place completely because of its track record of problems. But the 30-days suspension will put the owners on notice that, in the event of future problems, the council probably won't tolerate it and will then close it forever.'

Chmielewski had recommended permanent loss of the license because of mounting youth and gang problems outside the arcade which had spilled over into the parking lot, creating unsafe conditions for patrons of nearby businesses.

"The youths have been harassing patrons of stores in the Village Shops next door and have been seen around the neighborhood assaulting people and van-dalizing cars and other property," Chmielewski said. Chmielewski views the council's action as "giving a

businessman one more chance."

"I will do everything in my power to make the council's edict work, and hopefully, we will not have any further problems at that site in the future," the chief

The suspension order includes a directive from the council to establish tough restrictions that DeSimone must follow when he reopens in mid-May.

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16-Strikeout Game For Smi



JUNIOR BOO SMITH, son of Agawam High baseball coach Gerry Smith, unleashes a fastball enroute to a 16-strikeout performance against defending Western Mass. champion Westfield on opening day last Friday. The Brownies are chasing their first Western Mass. flag this season. (SEE RELATED STORY - page 20) Advertises the control of the cont tiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

Added Phase II Funds Accepted By Stuart Parker

Town Council earmarked \$160,000, as well as the interest these funds would accrue over the next eighteen months, to be used for the reduction of sewer betterment assessments faced by 401 Feeding Hills homeowners under the Phase II project.

Town officials estimate the project will cost \$830,000.

Ten Votes Needed

However, the ten votes needed from the 15-member body to rescind the ordinance requiring the betterment assessments seems unlikely for the May 3 meeting when the vote will be taken.

Questions remain on the town's ability to pay for the project if the ordinance is rescinded as requested by Precinct 2 councilor Daniel Lacienski.

Precinct 2 councilor Daniel Lacienski.
The Sewerless Homes Committee, active since September 1981 in their attempts to reduce their assessments, were active again Tuesday night as they lobbied councilors during the Citizen Speak Time portion of the meeting.

Sewerless Homes Committee Chairman Will Daignault quoted from a published town report on the Phase II project, noting, "A property owner is charged for a portion of the cost of any sewer project that would improve the value of his property."

Daignault went on to say that United Appraisal Company, hired for the town revaluation, had stated



MUNICIPAL EVENTS

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> Thursday, April 22 Board Of Appeals Public Hearing Middle School 7:30 P.M.

Tuesday, April 27th
School Committee Meeting
Junior High School
7:15 P.M.

Thursday, April 29th Planning Board Town Hall Annex 7:30 P.M.

Monday, May 3
Town Council Meeting
Public Library
8:00 P.M.



"there is no difference in value between property with sewers or property with septic systems."

Daignault then distributed a list of the councilors own property values and tax rates from 1980 and asked if they could distinguish between which homes were sewered and which were not.

He concluded by asking councilors to rescind the betterment ordinance and said bonding for the remaining portion of the sewerless homeowners share would increase the local tax rate "in the vicinity of 12 to 12½ cents."

Prior to the vote in favor of the transfer, which was brought to the council for discussion at a special meeting last Thursday, Town Manager Edward Caba noted, "Councilors are going to have to trust each other, as well as the administration, if we're going to get anything accomplished."

Lacienski reworded Caba's motion to transfer to "earmark" the \$160,000 including interest to specifically state that these funds were to be used to offset the people's share of the Phase II project.

Manager Will Look For More

During discussion on rescinding the betterment ordinance, Precinct 6 Councilor Benjamin Lockhart commented, "We must reduce the betterment assessments. But tonight the council has transferred \$160,000 toward that goal, and the manager has said he will continue to look for funds - I have to believe that."

Richard Theroux, chairman of the council's committee on sewers, added, "The council and administration have kept their word to find funds, but we can't eliminate the betterment assessments altogether. The town needs the homowners' share in order to complete the project

However, Lacienski continued to argue against the assessments. "These people are not looking for a free ride. They are asking to be billed in the same manner as even one also who has received sewers."

as everyone else who has received sewers."
He further stated, "We cannot charge a betterment assessment when United Appraisal has been charging sewerless homeowners at the same tax rate as those with sewers. The town can't have it both ways. Either UAC didn't do its job, or the betterments are wrong."

TAX RATE - From Page 1...

cent shift of the amount collected to the commericial owner rather than the residential owner. The vote was overturned following discussion led by Councilors Richard Theroux, Andrew Gallano and Town Manager Edward A. Caba.

Town Council President Donald M. Rheault argued in favor of the 10 percent shift favoring homeowners. He said, "The \$50 (66 cents per thousand) that the homeowners would receive is good money to them but nothing more than a tax write-off to business."

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Gallano promptly responded, "That's a good way to get votes." Gallano added a shift giving commercial property higher taxes could hinder industrial development in Agawam.

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School Year Extended For 2 More Days

By Joanne Brown

The current school year will officially end June 30th, two days later than the scheduled closing date set on the '81-'82 calendar. The two additional days are required to make up for excessive snow days.

At their meeting on Wednesday, April 14th, School Committee members voted 5-1 against Superintendent of Schools James Bruno's recommendation to seek a waiver from the State Department of Education.

Such a waiver would allow the school system to fulfill instructional time in hours rather than the normal 180 days.

Member Robert Doering cast the lone vote in favor of seeking the waiver, Member Jessie Fuller was absent.

14 Tenured Teachers Dismissed

Following through on preliminary letters sent out last month, the committee voted 6-0 to send official notices of "intent to dismiss" to fourteen tenured teachers. Forty-two non-tenured teachers have already been notified along with a notice of possible demotion to Peirce School Principal Barbara Kimball, the system's junior administrator.

In recommending dismissal of these staff members, Bruno specifically cited declining enrollment and financial constraints imposed by Proposition 2 1/2. He remains hopeful that most can be recalled if Town Council accepts the School Department's budget which includes elimination of 9 1/2 teaching positions.

Bruno noted that those tenured teachers notified of possible dismissal were called by seniority according to areas in which each is certified. In some areas, no non-tenured teachers are currently on staff, and, therefore, Bruno had to extend into those who hold tenure.

Mrs. Kimball was included "to cover all bases" according to Bruno, in the event an administrative position needs to be eliminated.

Precinct 2 Councilor Walter T. Kerr said he favored the 10 percent shift.

Kerr said, "We're delaying what the people vote for (Prop. 2 1/2) and I think we should implement it as soon as possible."

Shift By State Mandate

Caba noted that next year the council would have to support a shift in taxes by state mandate, but that this year cities and town could decide.

The accepted rates will render 79.042 percent, or \$8,906,098, as the levy for owners of residential property and open land. Commercial, industrial, and personal property (inventories-equipment) will have the remaining levy of 20.958, or \$2,361, 453.

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Wondering why Lenny Wagner's State Senate campaign is just beginning now? He's been busy.

As West Springfield's Community Development Director.

Comment

Getting the upper hand

West Springfield d Community Development Director Leonard Wagner has just executed an excellent idea. Realizing the Merrick neigh-borhood revitalization spurred by federal grants and aids has been essential to its survival, he brought the areas federal representatives in to look

Aides for Sen. Paul Tsongas and Rep.
Silvio O. Conte were taken on an extensive bus and walking tour of the neighborhood by Wagner to show them just how lederal funds were spent in

neighborhood. And his message was clear; we aren't finished yet. When Wagner sends a grant request to Washington for consideration by the Housing and Urban Development Department, Conte and Tsongas will be

able to support it with the facts. With competition for federal dollars becoming steeper under the economies being forced on the federal budget by President Carter, we think Wagner's idea to get an edge on consideration in Washington, to focus input on West Springfield, to be a smart move.

Fighting high utility rates.

Coalition Cuts Town's Electric Bill

By MARY ELLEN LOWNEY WEST SPRINGFIELD - Participation in a regional coalition to oppose last year's Western Mass. Electric Co. rate hike request saved the town almost \$30,000, according Energy Coordinator Leonard

Magner.
At a Monday night meeting with
the Finance Committee, Wagner outlined the details of the latest support for the support for the Western of Governor

Western Funds for rate hike of Govern raised \$35.01 members minutes for the second sec raised \$35.01 Wagner Enmembers, W. Well spent Wagner

Fighting WMECO © On Its Home Turf

Will West Springfield—home base of the Western Mass. Electric Co.—join the the Western Mass. Electric Co.—join une coalition of cities and towns opposing WMECO's rate hike request before the telepartment of Public Utilities?

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energy Coordinator Lensy
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recommended that the board come up with the \$2,000 it would need to join the with the \$2,000 it would need to join the coalition's effort. The money would be used to help pay the legal costs of the companion

Working on the PVTA Advisory Board.

Wagner confident route changes will pass, cut town's PVTA cost

Wagner helps for handicapped save \$24,000 plan busing

bus route cuts to

Wagner Committee Champion

Call him what you will, but our new nickname for West Side's Community Development director, Leonard Wagner, is Committeeman."

This devoted public servant is active in no less than 10 committees and is a former member of at least two more. Then there are four groups outside of municipal government to which he has devoted some of his seemingly

unending time and energy.

The 30-year-old avid jogger's latest appointment by the Board of Selectmen makes him the or Selectmen makes into the town's representative to Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission's Joint Transporta-

Following the unanimous vote to appoint this dependable fellow, Selectman Phyllis A. Austin remarked with a grin, "He just

loves those meetings. Selectman Frederick S. Conlin, Jr., quipped with the underestimation that "This may be his 10th

For the curious, Wagner is a committee." committee; the DPW study committee; Pioneer Valley Transit Authority, the housing and Community Development advisory committee of LPVRPC, the county budget committee, coalition of municipalities and institution of municipalities and institu-tions to challenge the WMECO rate hike; Hampden County energy task force; and Western Mass. energy coalition. He is also the town's alternate to LPVRPC.

He has also served on the town government study committee; the special committee to study the leaking tank car incident; and the Finance Committee.

Other groups under Wagner's belt are the Citizens Against the Race Track, of which he was on the executive committee; Westfield Area Department of Public Welfare, where he is an advisory board member; the board of directors of the West Springfield Counseling Center, and the board of directors of the West Springfield Boys' and Girls' Club.

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Tanker Leak Report Could Shape Law

might appointed a three-man commit-tee to pinpoint every detail of the March 24 leak in a Conrail tank car carrying 30,000 gallons of ether, which threatened more than 10,000 residents in the Merrick section.

By MARY ELLEN LOWNEY

WEST SPRINGFIELD — A local plan to prevent accidents on trains carrying lethal chemicals may becarrying lethal chemicals may be and the lethal chemicals may be an accidents of the lown's three-man committees.

The town's three-man committee, the lown's three-man c

Wagner, who filed a report two
years ago with selectmen on lax practices at the train yard off Memorial
Avenue, said he plans to start the
investigation this week.

Assessments below '21/2' Passage of the budget was the first official action of the Advisory Board,

official action of the advisory Buard, which was given power over the county budget by a state law passed last summer. Previously the Legislature and governor ouagets.

Preliminary work on the budget.

Was done by an Advisory Board subwas done by an Advisory Board sub-committee made up of aides to the mayors of Springfield, Chicopee, Holyoke and Westfield, Agawam Town Manager Edward Caba, Long-meadow Selectron Chairman Cont.

rown manager Loward Caba, Long meadow Selectmen Chairman Gerd Schneider, Wilbraham Selectman John Lovejoy, Brimfield Selectmen Chairman Lewis Flowers, and Leon-Chairman Lewis Flowers, and Leonard Wagner, director of Community Development for West Springfield.

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ElectLeonard M. Wagner State Senator. for the 2nd Hampden-Hampshire District





MICHAEL P. WALSH



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LEONARD M. WAGNER

Walsh Announces Rep **Bid At Leonard House**

At a press conference at the Captain Charles Leonard House Tuesday morning, Michael P. Walsh, a 25-year old Democrat and three-year legislative aide for outgoing State Representative Edward W. Connelly, officially announced his candidacy for the seat Connelly will vacate.

High Degree Of Integrity

In view of family and friends, Walsh told reporters, "I recognize the high degree of integrity and dedication that has marked the operation of this office over the past twelve years," in reference to Connelly's performance in office.

In launching his campaign for the Third Hampden District, Walsh said he was immediately resigning his post as Connelly's aide to seek aggressively the Democratic nomination in the September 14th

"The nature of the Third Hampden District demands representation by an individual who is a proponent of home rule. The eight communities which make up the district each have their own problems and interests uni-que unto themselves," Walsh said.

'As the state representative, I will work in conjunction with the people and local officials of each community to do what I can in the Legislature to facilitate a solution to these problems," he said.

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Councilor Roberts Seeks Rep Seat

Town Councillor-at-large and Vice-President of the Agawam Town Council Dennis M. Roberts today announced his candidacy for State Representative in the Third Hampden District comprising the communities of Agawam, Southwick, Granville, Tolland, Russell, Chester, Blandford and Montgomery.

Roberts, 25, last January returned to the Agawam Council after a two year absence while he was working on his Master of Public Administration degree at the University of Hartford. He has a B.A. in Political Science from American International College. Roberts formerly held a Town Council seat from precinct 6 between 1977 and 1979. He had also served a two year term on the town's Board of Appeals.

In seeking the Democratic nomination for state representative, Roberts stated that his public service has been devoted to representing the interests of the average taxpayer rather than the interests of special interest groups. He continued, "Our district needs a representative who understands the problems and needs of those who pay the bills, the taxpayer. My extensive involvement in the workings of local government has made me very sensitive to those needs."

Roberts advocates more local state aid and a fairer distribution of the aid. "Each town in the district has been or will be hurt by proposed aid distribution for-

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West Side's Wagner **Announces For Senate**

Leonard M. Wagner announced recently that he is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for State Senator from the Second Hampden-Hampshire District.

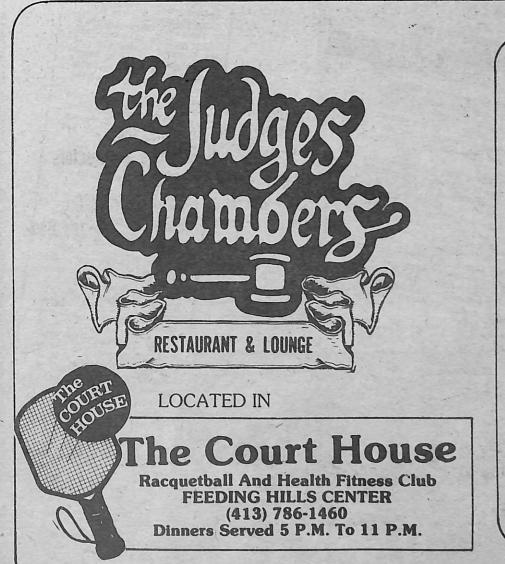
'The Second Hampden-Hampshire District is the most diverse of all of the state's senatorial districts," Wagner stated. "I believe that it is important that the person who represents this district in Boston have ex-tensive experience in all facets of local government."

Currently, Wagner is the Community Development Director in his native West Springfield. He has been an elected Town Meeting Member since 1973 and serves as the town's energy coordinator. Wagner was a representative on the first Hampden County Budget Committee and is a member of the Pioneer Valley Transit Authority's Advisory Board. Over the last ten years, he has served West Springfield on the Library Board of Trustees, the Town Government Study Committee, the School Building Re-use Committee, and the Department of Public Works Study Committee.

"As a State Senator, my priorities would be to pass legislation which would assist local governments to stabilize their financial situations, to protect citizens as consumers, and to encourage the creation of new Wagner said.

As Community Development Director, Wagner assisted small businesses with improvements that

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"On The One Day Truly Hers" Mother's Day Brunch Public Cordially Invited Sunday, May 9th Serving 11:00 A.M. To 4:00 P.M. Two Sittings 11:00 A.M. And 1:30 P.M. featuring STEAMSHIP ROUND ROAST BEEF And Our Special Dessert Table Adults \$9.95 Children \$4.95 RESERVATIONS (413) 786-1460 ONLY

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- 7. THE SPIN-OFF OF SUCH AN ENLARGED JOB BASE WOULD BENEFIT THE TOWN BY A CONSIDERABLE INCREASE IN SPENDABLE INCOME BY EMPLOYEES LIVING IN THE TOWN, AND BY AN INCREASE IN NEW DOLLARS FLOWING INTO THE TOWN BY EMPLOYEES LIVING IN OTHER COMMUNITIES, BUT PURCHASING GOODS AND SERVICES IN AGAWAM.

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Mrs. Maryann Rescigno

James Barry Retires From Community Savings Bank

James Barry, an Assistant Treasurer of Community Bank, retired in March of this year after 20 years of service with the bank. He joined the Mortgage Department of Springfield 5 Cents Savings Bank in 1961, and he stayed on board when, in 1971, Springfield 5 Cents Savings Bank merged with Community Savings Bank. In 1972, Mr. Barry was named Assistant Mortgage Officer, and was also elected an Assistant Treasurer in 1977. He was assigned to the Bank's Northampton Street, molyoke office.

A resident of Agawam, Mr. Barry is an avid golfer with a 7 handicap. He and his wife enjoy traveling and have visited many places, including Ireland and a recent trip to Bermuda. And, now that he will have more free time, the Barrys plan to do even more traveling.

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Maryann Turner Weds **David Rescigno**

The wedding of Maryann Turner to David Allen Rescigno was an event of April 16, 1982 at St. John the Evangelist Church, Agawam.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Turner of 26 Harvey Johnson Drive, Agawam and the groom *s the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rescigno of 651 Barry Street, Feeding Hills.

The bride wore a gown of ivory organza with a high neck, bodice and sleeves accented with schiffle embroidery. The natural waistline fell into a full circular skirt, with hemline ruffle extending into a chapel train. Her ivory hat accented with schiffle embroidery and alencon lace, turned up on one side with flowers and puff veiling finger tip length.

Louise Montagna served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were cousin of the bride, Patricia Longo, Karen Duggan and Pamela Viens. They wore rose silesta chiffon one piece dresses with ivory embroidered lace collar and cuffs. They had a natural waistline with a tie sash and a full flowing skirt.

Standing as best man was Keith Smith and ushers were brothers of the groom, Paul Rescigno, Gary Rescigno and Kevin Anderson.

A reception was held at Storrowton Stage Coach Barn, West Springfield. The couple enjoyed a honeymoon trip to Framingham and Cape Cod.

Feeding Hills Bible Church **Sponsors Singspirations**

Rev. Calvin G. Witham, pastor of the Feeding Hills. Bible Church has announced that they will conduct a "Joytime Singspiration" the first Sunday evening of every month. The Old Time Gospel hymn sing, will feature outstanding Christian musicians and singers.

On Sunday evening, May 2nd, at 6 p.m.; blind evangelist, Chuck Merrill and his wife Juanita of Fowlerton, IN will be special guests. Chuck plays the bass and Juanita, piano accordian.

There will be lots of congregational singing and refreshments will be served. There is no admission, but

a free will offering will be received.

Sunday Bible School classes for all ages are held at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship at 10:45 a.m.

Feeding Hills Bible Church, is the home of the Feeding Hills Christian Academy. The school uses Accelerated Christian Education curriculum - all grades and applications are now being accepted for the fall. For information call 786-1681.

House-To-House Night
On April 27 a volunteer will be knocking on your

door. Susan Nardi, House To-House chairman for the American Cancer Society in Agawam, urges you to give generously.

"You never know what is enough until you know what is more than enough." William Blake

Judges Named For Festival

Barbara Dauplauise, an experienced craft instructor from Springfield and Laurel Maziarz, a local art teacher have been chosen as the judges for Agawam's ninth annual Arts and Crafts Festival.

This year's festival, sponsored by the Agawam Junior Womens Club, will be held on the weekend of June 5 and 6 along Main Street centering on the historic Captain Charles Leonard House.

In addition to the plentiful displays of area artists and craftsmen, the board of trustees at the Captain Charles Leonard House, who have been so supportive of the Agawam Juniors' Arts and Crafts Festival are once again preparing to open their doors for a guided

Each qualifying craft category in the festival is limited to the first five applicants. Due to the tremendous response to date, the following categories are now closed for further application: painting, woodcrafting, slate painting and hand sewn items.

To avoid the disappointment of having your category closed to your entry call Pat O'Connor at 786-0661 or Mary Dutton at 786-5306.

Freedom From **Smoking At Library**

The Agawam Public Library and the American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts will sponsor a program on "Freedom From Smoking in 20 Days." 4 session program to help you stop smoking will meet Wednesdays, May 5, 12, 19 and 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the library's Community Room. Registration is required for this program and may be arranged by phone (789-1550) or in person at the library.

Here is real help for the smoker who wants to quit for good! According to Ms. Margo Goodnough of the American Lung Association, who will conduct the program, participants will be exposed to a positive philosophy without scare tactics. Ms. Goodnough, a former smoker, claims that most smokers know the health risks of the habit, so even though she responds to health questions, she does not dwell on diseases.

At the first session, the group learns how the program works and views a film. Then, they decide if they wish to continue the program. The 4 sessions emphasize gradually cutting down smoking and quitting by the end of the 20 days. The main focus of the Freedom From Smoking Program is on understanding and changing our behavior. Also, Ms. Goodnough stresses that we must recognize that we are human and learn to reward ourselves for such accomplishments as cutting down on smoking. Further, throughout the program, she encourages the "buddy system" whereby group members seek and obtain support from each

In addition to this program, the library has a variety of books and pamphlets on quitting smoking available for loan to the public. Such books include: The Stop Smoking Diet; You Can Stop: A Smokender Approach To Quitting Smoking and Sticking To It; No More Butts: A Pshychologist's Approach To Quitting Smoking; How to Stop Smoking Through Meditation; and The Stop Smoking Book For Teens.

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Just a reminder that some of your friends and neighbors at Heritage Hall could use a helping hand. The next volunteer meeting will be held on April 29th at 7:00 p.m. in the West Building. No one is asking you to commit yourself to hours and hours of service, but an hour here and there is so appreciated and this goes for everyone: men, women, and teenagers. It is usually women who step forward to volunteer, but there are some men residents at Heritage Hall and they certainly enjoy the company of a man to talk to. The energy and exuberance you teenagers have can rub off and make's days a lot brighter for people. So Give it some thought. Somewhere in your busy schedules you can find an hour or so to spare.

And while we're tapping your good deed bag, here's another place you'll be welcome. The Juvenile Diabetes Foundation is planning their semi-annual tag and bake sale to be held at the Food Mart parking lot on Sunday, May 16th. Now again, these people are your friends and neighbors, not some professional fundraisers who come into the community. They are people who live here in town and have small children with diabetes. You can help in two ways. You can bake something to donate, or while doing some of that spring cleaning, find some treasures to donate. You know, of course, that all donations are tax deductible. Then, of course, you can stop by the sale and find someone else's treasures to take home with you.

Congratulations go out to TODD ROVELLI, son of MR. and MRS. SMITH ROVELLI of 79 Lincoln St. Todd, a 1981 graduate of Agawam High School, is currently a freshman at Dartmouth who was recently honored by his Dartmouth College mathematics professor for receiving the top grade in an 18-student honors calculus class. The citation commends Todd for "outstanding" academic achievement during the past term. Keep up the good work, Todd.

Happy 8th anniversary to LINDA and TOM BEESLEY. Tom and Linda spent their anniversary celebrating with friends at a local restaurant, followed by a small party at a friend's house. Many more happy ones to you both.

Two of the **Advertiser** staff reporters spent Saturday, April 17th at the University of Massachusetts at an all day seminar dealing with Perspectives in Children's Literature. The seminar was sponsored by the UMass Bachelor's Degree with Individual Concentration in Children's Literature Program and the Society of Children's Book Writers. Professors Masha Rudman, Julius Lester, Alison Alexander, Joanne Bernstein, Michael Egan, William Moebius, Gareth B. Matthews, and Arlene Gallagher; teacher Kathleen Gagne; Rowe Elementary School principal, Anita Page; editors Jim Bruce and Frances Nankin; and authors/illustrators Eric Carle, Jane Langton, Patricia MacLachlan, Shulamith Oppenheim, Ann Warren Turner and Jane Yolen were the guest speakers and panel moderators.

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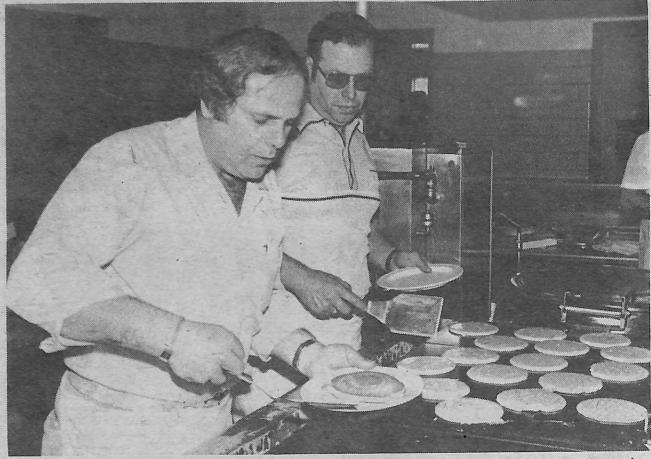
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AGAWAM UNICO MEMBERS Jack Chriscola (front) and Dick DiLillo prepare a large order of pancakes at the annual UNICO Pancake and Sausage Breakfast at the Agawam Middle School. The order was indeed huge. Over 700 townspeople turned out. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

Skate-A-Thon To Benefit Muscular Dystrophy

Kings Department Store and The Rollaway of Agawam are co-sponsoring a Skate-a-thon to benefit the Western Mass. Chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The date is Sunday, May 2nd and there are two sessions to choose from, either 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. or 6:30 to 10:00 p.m. Anyone is eligible to

Sponsor forms are available at the Rollaway on Main Street in Agawam and at the Agawam Kings Department Store. Prizes will be awarded to the top four fundraisers. First prize is an Atari Video Computer System, 2nd, a pair of roller skates, 3rd prize is a Microvision Blockbuster game and 4th prize is a New Wave Sound AM/FM stereo headset.

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Town Officials Dedicate Ambulance



LAST WEEK THE TOWN'S NEW AMBULANCE was dedicated at Town Hall by members of the administration, Town Council, and Fire Department. Those present for the ceremony were, from left, Douglas Kerr, acting deputy chief; Randy Cushing, EMT; Donald Rheault, town council president; Richard Weld, EMT; Edward A. Caba, town manager; Donald Wells, firefighter; and Russell Jenks, acting chief. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

Our Lady Of Mount Carmel Celebrates 75th Anniversary

A Diamond Jubilee Banquet celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the founding of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 123 William Street, Springfield, will be held Sunday, May 16, at Chez Josef in Agawam, immediately following a late afternoon special Jubilee Mass at the church.

The special con-celebrated Mass is scheduled for 4 p.m. at Mt. Carmel Church, and the banquet social hour will begin at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. The sumptuous menu will include: melon appetizer, filet mignon, salad, baked potato, zucchini, mushroom marinara, strawberry parfait and coffee.

Music at the Mass will be provided by the Mt. Carmel Senior Choir under the direction of Albert and Mary Mastroianni, and music at the banquet will be provided by roaming musicians, George Tupikow and Company, on the mandolin and guitar. An interesting and nostalgic program is planned.

Attendance to the banquet is by reservation only. Anyone wishing to attend may contact either the reservation chairman, Mrs. Barbieri, or the banquet chairman, Mrs. Forastiere. Reservations are limited, and it is suggested they be made as soon as possible.

WSC To Participate In Elderhostel

ELDERHOSTEL is a summer program which combines traditional education with the concept of hosteling by offering participants sixty years of age and over the opportunity to travel to a new city, stay for one week at a participating college or university, and attend scheduled lectures and exhibits planned specifically with the Elderhostelers in mind.

This year, for the first time ever, Westfield State College is among Elderhostel's 500 educational institutions offering Summer, 1982 programs of learning for elder citizens everywhere.

Westfield State has two one-week sessions planned; the first runs from July 18 to 24 and the second is from July 25 to 31. The first week of Elderhostel at Westfield State College is already oversubscribed and the second week is on its way to becoming filled, thanks to the dedicated efforts of Dr. David A. Lovejoy, WSC associate professor of Biology.

Other WSC faculty to present programs during the two weeks include: Dr. Martin Kaufman, professor of History; Dr. Sanat Majumder, professor of Biology; Dr. Horace Marchant, assistant professor of Psychology; and Dr. Ronald Edwards, professor of Math/Computer

For further information, contact Dr. Lovejoy at Westfield State College, 413-568-3311, ext. 307.



NEW BEGINNINGS

By Rita White

Well, seniors, time to take inventory. Not of your possessions, but rather of your time. How do you spend your time? Are you still trying new beginnings? You know, age has nothing to do with growing day by day as a person. There is always something new to learn. No, I don't want to hear anyone saying, "What good is it to learn that now; I won't have time to use it?" When we stop trying to learn, stop having new experiences, stop caring, that is when we stop living. We merely exist once we give up.

There is always something new and wonderful to learn and try. At this point we never had time for before. And some of these things don't necessarily mean having to spend money. Your library is an absolute treasure house full of wonders for you, and this would be an excellent week to acquaint yourself with your library as this is "National Library Week." Stop in and see what you might find of interest. Art, music, crafts, literature, history, nature, the list is endless. Help celebrate this week with a "new beginning" of your own.

The Senior Center tells us that there are still seats available for two of their trips. The May 11th trip to Newport, Rhode Island, for a tour of some of the magnificent mansions there with a lovely lunch at the Shamrock Cliff Inn is still open. The other trip still open is the one to Beverly, Mass., to see LeGrand David and His Spectacular Magic Company, complete with lunch and also a stop in Salem for some sightseeing. Both trips cost \$20.00 each and are well worth every cent. Just see DOROTHY or MARGARETE to make your reservation.

There are a few birthdays still this month, so our very best wishes go out to EUNICE JOHNSON, April 22nd; EDWARD USCHMANN, April 25th; and ALICE WAUGH, April 29th. We hope you enjoy your special day and that it is but one of many more to come.

For those of you who look forward to those lunches at the center, next week sounds good. Monday, pork chops; Tuesday, Hawaiian chicken; Wednesday, kielbasa; Thursday, quiche lorraine and Friday, tuna chop suey. Don't miss out; call in your reservation a day ahead of time.

If you need to have the blood sugar test, be sure and make an appointment early. The number of appointments available each month is limited and you don't want to miss out.

We would like to hear from more of you seniors out there about what you are thinking, what you would like to see in the column, about your new grandchildren, about your anniversaries and any interesting stories you would like to share with us all. You can call the newspaper at 786-7747 or call me directly at 786-4970.



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HCC Players Will Present Shakespeare

Shakespeare has arrived at Holyoke Community College! The HCC Players will present The Taming of the **Shrew** by William Shakespeare. The production is being directed by Leslie Phillips, a faculty member at HCC who has recently directed COLE and Adaptation at the College and last year's productions of Chamber Music and You Can't Take It With You.

According to Ms. Phillips, "Ordinarily when SHREW is performed, the Induction is omitted. I think this is a big mistake because the induction provides a frame for the play within the play, particularly the supposed taming of Kate by Petruchio. Just exactly what Shakespeare meant by "taming" is a problem with this play. Did he mean for women to be submissive? Should husbands turn their wives into well-trained servants? In dealing with these questions during rehearsals, we are

paying a lot of attention to the causes of Kate's shrewishness.

Costumes for the play will be mostly from the Costume Collection in New York City. "Our costumer Rise Cartabiano is particularly skilled at period costuming" commented Ms. Phillips. "The costumes will be very exciting.

In addition, the production will feature the new Early Music Ensemble. The musicians will be on stage during the show and will play Elizabethan music during

act and scene changes

The production of The Taming of the Shrew will be performed April 22, 23, 24, 30 and May 1 at 8:00 p.m. and a Sunday matinee on May 2 at 2:00 p.m. Reservations can be made by calling the College at 538-7000,

Post Office Warns Of **Medical Promotions**

Medical promotions that promise some new hope but which often endanger the health of the buyer are still a major concern to the Postal Service, according to Agawam Postmaster Robert R. DeForge and Feeding Hills Postmaster Joseph Dahdah.

"Buyers need to be especially careful," he said, "because postal inspectors and Postal Service attorneys find many promoters quickly change their address and the names of their products to circumvent the law." The postmaster made the announcement in connection with POSTAL CONSUMER PROTECTION WEEK, April 25 - May 1

Postmaster DeForge cited the case of a company using the mails to make false representations about a

number of its products

Athena Products, Ltd., was recently banned from using the mails to sell 15 of its so-called health products nationwide, according to the postmaster. The Georgiabased company used its own publications - Soma Magazine and Athena Health and Beauty News to advertise products it claimed could cure or prevent diseases or conditions that were often age related. They included excess weight, blood sugar imbalance, impotency, forgetfulness, insomnia, wrinkles, and senility.

"Because of rising costs of medical attention, and possible unsuccessful attempts to reduce suffering," Postmaster DeForge said, "the elderly are very often

the prime victims of these schemes.

He said the promoters' ease in moving from town to town and state to state, then changing product names (but not the ridiculous claims in their promotional

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ficult for the Postal Service to put them out of business permanently.

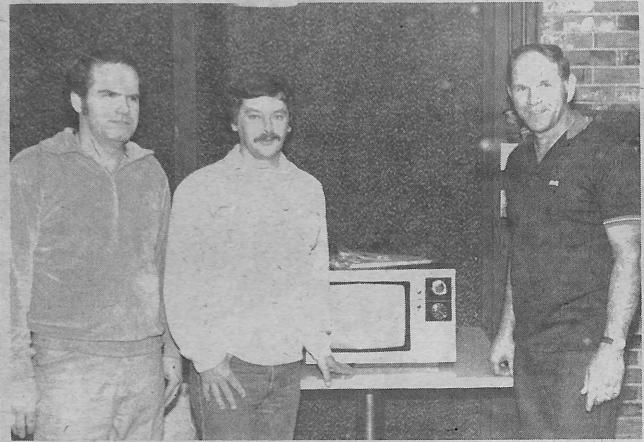
The Postal Service now has a brochure, "Do You Believe In Magic" that warns consumers about claims that relate to medical fraud. Available at all post offices the new at all post offices, the new brochure contains a postage-free reply card to share information on suspicions about such offers with postal inspec-

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Polish Officials Prepare For 50's



POLISH AMERICAN CLUB OFFICIALS (from left) Edward Stepanik, Paul Brittain, and Bruce Roscoe prepare to raffle off a TV at the Polish Club's annual 50's dinner dance Saturday night. Approximately 210 people attended the affair, cooked and prepared by James Marmo, Stepanik and a handful of helpers. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

Marriage Seminar Set For West Side Church

The West Springfield Church of Christ will be having films on "Marriage Enrichment." These will run for the next seven (7) consecutive weeks.

Dr. Carl Brecheen, one of the speakers in the film, holds a D.R.E. degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and has taught courses on Family Relations for 19 years on the University level. He is a member of the National Council on Family Relations.

The other speaker in the film series is Dr. Paul Faulkner and he received an ED. D. degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has also completed advanced work at the American Institute of Family Relations and is Director of the Institute of family services in Abilene, Texas. He retains a private practice in marriage and family counseling. He is a clinical member and approved supervisor of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy and a member of the Christian Association of Marriage and Psychological Studies and the American Psychological Association.

Brecheen and Faulkner have been holding the

Seminar in cities spanning the United States and have now placed the Seminar on films to teach more people. Since its beginning, more than 40,000 people have attended the Seminars. The seminar's broad base of appeal is shown by the wide range of ages among registrants. Attendees include engaged and newlymarried couples, as well as those who have been married for many years. The average registrant has been married for more than 10 years. Although it was instituted as a divorce preventative, the "Marriage Enrichment Seminar" is designed primarily for stable marriages. Its main thrust lies in strengthening marriages to withstand the divisive pressures of modern

The film The Trouble With Us Is Me will be shown Sunday evening, April 25, at 6:00 p.m. at the West Springfield Church of Christ, 61 Upper Church Street, West Springfield. In this film the natural man and the Christian, emphasizing scriptural solutions to the problem of selfishness.

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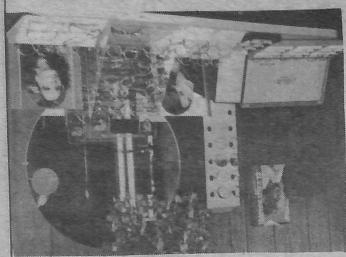
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Mow, ten years later, Bob owns a similar optical facility in Southwick and is also the proud owner of Plymouth Optical in Springfield.

Living, working and raising a family in Agawam, Bob has become involved in several civic activities and is now a member of the Commerce.

Commerce.
Bob Vanderhoof believed in Agawam and obviously, Agawam believed in his ability to provide professional and personal eye care.
We wish Bob another 10 years of prosperity on Walnut Street Extension.

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of Agawam the type of personal and professional service that is a trademark of Bob Vanderhoof's Walnut Street Extension facility. AGAWAM OPTICIAN EMPLOYEE Carol Russell gives Mary and Ed McMahon



Remember a few months ago I gave you a recipe for water chestnuts wrapped in bacon? Well, Monday night, I was served a different version. It was a scallop rolled in bacon and then broiled or baked. It truly was a unique flavor combination.

Sandy Kunasek sent a recipe over the other night for filled ice box cookies. I haven't tried these yet, but I will certainly make a point to soon.

Filled Ice Box Cookies

1 C. brown sugar 4 C. flour (scant)

Tsp. baking soda

C. gran. white sugar 3 Eggs (can use two) 1 C. butter

Cream butter and sugar; add well-beaten eggs and mix thoroughly. Stir in flour which has been sifted with soda and salt. Roll dough out to about ¼-inch thick; then spread on filling, roll up, and leave in refrigerator overnight. When ready to bake, slice 1/8 inch thick and bake 12 minutes at 375°. Yield: 80 cookies.

Filling 1 lb. of dates (put through food chopper)
½ C. sugar

1/2 C. water

1 C. nut meats

Combine and cook ten minutes.

Do many of you have microwave ovens? I have had one about eight years and would be completely lost without it. Most of us who use these ovens with any regularity have developed special "time saving" recipes. Here is one for home fries I think you'll like. **Microwave Homefries**

2-3 Potatoes 2 Tblsp. butter Paprika (enough to give color) Salt & pepper to taste

Onion powder to taste

Cut potatoes randomly into small pieces and put inglass bowl. Put seasonings in and mix. Top potatoes with butter and cover bowl with Saran wrap. Bake on "High" for four minutes. Take out and stir. At this point you can put them into a frying pan and fry on top of your stove until crispy or return to microwave for another three minutes.

Please send your recipe or request to me at 39 Norris Street, Feeding Hills, MA 01030.

Obituaries

Myrtle Schinck

Myrtle (Tower) Schinck, 75, of 37 Columbus St., died Sunday in Bay State Medical Center, Springfield Unit. Born in the Housatonic section of Great Barrington, she graduated from the former Searles High School, Great Barrington and moved to Springfield many years ago. She had lived in Agawam for 10 years. She leaves her husband, Edward Schinck, and five sisters, Marion Cuenin of Housatonic, Gertrude Wylie of Great Barrington, Ethel Taylor of Pittsfield, Madeline Flynn of Lenox and Elsie Young of Bay Shore, N.Y. The funeral was Wednesday morning at Stevens Funeral Flome and in St. James Church, both in Great Barrington, with burial in Greenlawn Cemetery, Housatonic.

Giacomo Veronesi

Giacomo Veronesi, 93, of 20 Central St. died April 12 in Springfield Hospital.

He was born in Lake Garda, Brenzoni, Verona, Italy, and had lived in Springfield since 1903, moving to Agawam 35 years ago.

The oldest member of Construction Laborers Local 999, he was a construction worker for 50 years, working for the former E. W. Larkin Co., specializing in church construction.

He was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church and a member of the former Italian Athletic

His wife, Palmira (Simonelli) Veronesi, died on Dec. 22, 1981. He leaves two sons, Albert and Aldo, both of Agawam; a daughter, Mary Anderson of Agawam; two sisters, Cecilia Cressotti of Bolzano, Italy, and Adelina Briani of Mantova, Italy; seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

The funeral was held at George B. Tazzini and Son funeral home with a liturgy of Christian burial in St. John the Evangelist Church, Burial was in St. Michael's Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. John the Evangelist Building Fund.

By Phil Benoit

Death Wish II Is Too Exaggerated

Charles Bronson, that man of few words and facial expressions, dons his vigilante guise once more and decides to rid Los Angeles of its criminal denizens in Death Wish II, a far-fetched action film and an inferior sequel to Death Wish.

Bronson recreates the role of Paul Kersey, a mildmannered architect by day and a ruthless vigilante by night. In the original film, Kersey lived in New York and his wife was killed and his daughter raped by mug-gers. These violent tragedies led him to become a guntoting vigilante. After killing several muggers, Kersey is apprehended by the police and deported from New York (the police didn't lock him up because, if the public found out that the vigilante was in custody, the crime rate would rise once again.)

In Death Wish II, our one-time vigilante lives in Los Angeles and history repeats itself; his daughter and housekeeper are both raped and killed by muggers. From here on end, Kersey decides to take the law into

The main problem with Death Wish II is that it's too exaggerated to be believable. Contrary to what occurs in the first film, Bronson's character manages to find all of his loves ones' attackers, a tremendous feat, considering the size of Los Angeles. This bit of unrealistic plot development is just for starters.

When muggers start dropping like flies in Los Angeles, the New York Police Department begins to wonder if its former vigilante is performing his craft on the west coast. To find this out, the detective (Vincent Gardenia) who caught the vigilante in New York is sent

After spying on Kersey, the detective joins our hero in a wild and wooly gunfight against several muggers. What makes this bit of action even more unusual is that Bronson's character is the victor in the end, especially since he only has two handguns while his opponents have several automatic weapons.

The acting also leaves a lot to be desired. Bronson (no one's candidate for world's best actor) delivers his typical grim-faced performance and lets his guns do the talking for him. Jill Ireland (Bronson's real-life wife) is rather bland as the vigilante's girlfriend and the romantic subplot between these two stoic people is almost laughable and fails to do anything but pad the film. A romance between two pet rocks would be more interesting.

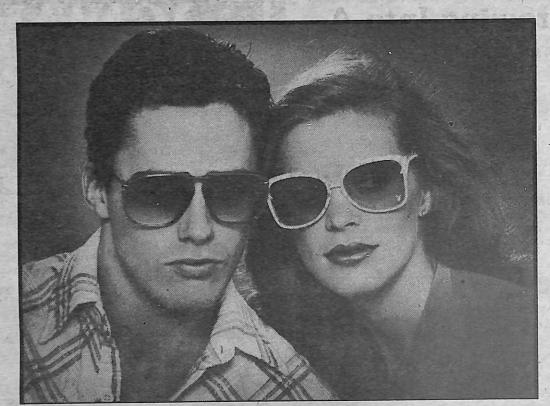
While the original Death Wish was a realistic, insightful film about vigilantism, Death Wish II comes across as an adaptation of a second-rate comic book. For all its problems, however, Death Wish II does manage to be an exciting film and will please viewers when the bad guys are defeated. But beware! Once you leave the theater, the film's graphic violence will leave a bad taste in your mouth.

RATING: 11/2 STARS (On a scale of 0-4 stars)

[Editor's Note: Phil Benoit, a native of Springfield, is a junior media studies major at Westfield State College who has been the film critic for the college's newspaper, television news program, and radio stataion for three years. His column will appear regularly in the Advertiser/News]

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A COLORFUL VAN giving people all the information about his new business, f-STOP Photography, can be seen all about town attempting to round up business and to service customers who have already called the town's newest photography studio. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.



LARRY ORENSTEIN of f-STOP photography in Feeding Hills Center, has a fully operational photofacility now right at your fingertips. Here, Larry serves a customer at his 1353 Springfield Street location.

f-STOP Photography Now Open In Feeding Hills Center

By Dorine Kubik

f.STOP Studios of Photography, located at 1353 Springfield Street in Feeding Hills, is owned by Larry Orenstein, formerly of Longmeadow, who now lives in Feeding Hills with his wife and nineteen-month-old son.

Orenstein considers his f.STOP logo to be eyecatching. The f. stop is actually a part of a camera which is the lens opening that controls the amount of light going through the lens into the camera.

light going through the lens into the camera.
f.STOP Studio opened last month at its location next to the Feeding Hills Post Office. They arrange to photograph individuals at their homes, outdoors, or at the studio itself.

Orenstein does not offer package deals as he feels his customers should select their own sizes and quantity of pictures desired.

For anyone interested in decorating a home or office, Orenstein offers photo-decors, which consist of seasonal pictures taken of any subject to decorate walls. They can be made up from a 4 X 5 to a complete wall mural.

Orenstein's wide range of photographic services fall basically into three groups: family, commercial, and industrial. The studio also carries film, flashbulbs, batteries for your camera needs, picture frames and photo albums. In addition, they offer an overnight photofinishing service on movies, slides, color prints, and black-and-whites. A photo-copier is available to the public at reasonable rates.

Orenstein is a member of Springfield Phtographic Society and of the Professional Photographers' Association of America. He has been a freelance

photographer in the Springfield area for the last fifteen years and was a bus driver for Peter Pan Bus Lines.



From The Pulpit

By Rev. Len Cowan St. David's Church

The Lord's Ten Questions

Jesus Christ is risen. He is Lord of all life. He asks us to live His way. Ask yourself some of the following questions. Is He the risen Lord for you?

1) "I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods but me." (Exodus 20:2-3)

Which person or what thing is more important to you than God? What do you think about the first thing in the morning, in the middle of the day, and the last thing at night?

2) "Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of anything that is in heaven above or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them." (Exodus 20:4)

Are you guided in your thinking and actions by superstitous ideas? Do fortune-tellers, spiritism, and magic arts influence your life?

3) "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain" (Exodus 20:7)

Is your speech gracious and pleasant, generous in praise and kindness, or crude and harsh, full of profani-

4) "Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath Day." When you make plans and decisions, do you seek God's will? Do you take enough time to listen to God's Word or do you try to escape it through work or play?

5)"Honor thy father and thy mother." (Exodus 20:12) With whom do you have strained relationships? Within or outside of your family, are there those individuals or groups of people to whom you are cold or scornful?

6) "Thou shalt do no murder." (Exodus 20:13) Is there someone who may have wronged you and whom you cannot forgive and toward whom you feel continuing resentment?

7) "Thou shalt not commit adultery." (Exodus 20:14) Is God's commandment the standard for you in sexual questions, in relationship to others and in regard to your inner life as well?

8) "Thou shalt not steal." (Exodus 20:15) Have you illegally taken something for your own, deliberately not returned something which you borrowed, or secretly not reported something which you have earned?

9) "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor." (Exodus 20:16) To whom have you lied? Whom have you judged deliberately, falsely, or unkind-ly?

10) "Thou shalt not covet." (Exodus 20:17) Whom do you secretly envy because of their personal appearance, reputation, position, abilities or possessions? Can you rejoice with someone who has more than you?

Scholarship Committee Will Meet

The Stigmatine Scholarship Fund Committee will meet Sunday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church, 108 Bridge St., Agawam. On the agenda will be the annual banquet and program book.

Each member is requested to bring in a potential candidate.

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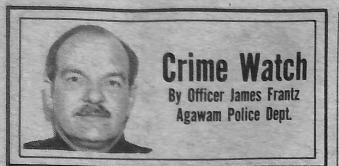
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MALICIOUS DAMAGE

Malicious damage is probably one of the most annoying crimes committed. In 1981 the Agawam Police Department invested 669 complaints of malicious damage. Some common complaints were broken mail boxes, paint sprayed on buildings, damage to homes, motor vehicles completely ruined by scratches, slit tires and broken windshields. The dollar amount of this damage here was near the \$100,000 mark.

Mass. General Laws Chapter 266 Sec. 127 clearly defines the punishment and the fines which could be imposed if a person is caught and convicted.

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"Whoever destroys or injures the personal property, dwelling house or building of another in any manner or by any means not particularly described or mentioned in this chapter shall, if such destruction or injury is willful and malicious, be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than ten years or by a fine of \$3,000 or three times the value of the property so destroyed or injured, whichever is greater and imprisonment in jail for not more than three years."

Malicious damage is not isolated to personal property. Damage to town property, ie., schools and parks cost Agawam taxpayers thousands of dollars each year.

Malicious damage is such a spontaneous crime that there is no clear cut way to combat it. The police department requests that if you see groups loitering around schools, parks, and neighborhoods and businesses to please call the police. With your assistance we could possibly realize a reduction of this crime.

A WORD TO PARENTS

The police have the power to arrest any persons for tresspassing on town property after dark. This law will be strictly enforced. Also, if your child is arrested and found guilty for the crime of malicious damage you may have to make full restitution for damages done.

REMEMBER: If you see anyone damaging private or town property please call the Agawam Police immediately at 911 or 786-4767.

Anyone having information on the following malicious damage reports please contact the Agawam Police: malicious damage done to the shed at Wade Park in Feeding Hills and malicious damage to school buses parked at DePalma Transportation on Garden Street. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO GIVE YOUR NAME.

Police responded to 198 calls last week. There were seven BURGLARIES, 12 LARCENIES, and 17 COMPLAINTS OF MALICIOUS DAMAGE. A total of 16 arrests were made.



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THE POLICE BLOTTER!!!

EDITOR'S NOTE: Due to the rising crime rate, ie., theft and vandalism of private property, and driving under the influence of alcohol or other toxic substances, the AGAWAM POLICE DEPARTMENT, in conjunction with its CRIME WATCH PROGRAM, and on the request of many local merchants, has asked the ADVERTISER/NEWS to publish a weekly "POLICE BEAT."

The police firmly believe that such a regular beat with names appearing will HELP SERVE notice to townspeople that these types of activities ARE happening in your town and cooperation with police is essential to protect your property and keep your roads safe.

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Therefore, in the spirit of public safety and in cooperatin with police, we publish this "POLICE BEAT."

On April 4, 1982 at 2:23 a.m., Daniel V. Page Jr., of 70 Hewit Street, West Springfield was arrested for driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage by officers Richard Curry and Mark Poggi. On April 13, 1982 at 3:22 p.m. Mark P. Butman of

On April 13, 1982 at 3:22 p.m. Mark P. Butman of Feeding Hills was arrested by being a disorderly person by officers William Sliech and Harold Jarvis.

On April 13, 1982 at 8:10 p.m. James Hughes of 36

Portland Street, Springfield was arrested for driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage by officers Gary Nardi and James Orsatti.

On April 14, 1982 at 8:22 p.m. Barry Durling of Fort Lauderdale, Florida was arrested for driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage by officer Gary Nardi.

On April 14, 1982 at 8:41 p.m. three juveniles, two from Feeding Hills and one from Southwick were arrested for tresspassing at the Feeding Hills Shopping Center by officer Stephen Draghetti.

On April 15, 1982 at 11:44 p.m. Raymond Shugart of 33 Sheri Lane was arrested for driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage by officers D. Ciak and James Orsatti.

On April 16, 1982 at 1:45 a.m. James R. Martoni of 303 Main Street, West Springfield was arrested for driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage by officer Richard Curry.

On April 18, 1982 Francis Pandolfi Jr., of 69 Sheri Lane was arrested for driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage and leaving the scene of a personal injury accident by officers Wayne Macey and Sgt. Robert Swikalus.



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MARKET WATCH

By Michael Serafino Bache, Halsey, Stuart, Shields, Inc.

Appraising Your Finances

Have you made a thorough appraisal of your finances? How much credit do you have available? How quickly can you mobilize existing assets? Are your funds working all the time?

If you're like many Americans, you probably haven't given these questions the thought they deserve. You may also have the uneasy feeling that, overall, you could do a better job managing your finances.

Consider the financial picture of a hypothetical investor. He has a checking account with a bank near where he works, a savings account with a bank near where he lives, a money market fund and a securities account with a brokerage firm.

He purchases goods and services with a variety of credit cards, has a mortgage on his home with one bank and an automobile loan with another bank. At the end of the month he tries to tally his income and expenses, but doesn't get much further than balancing his checkbook.

The investor we have just described is not alone in this situation, since many other Americans also suffer from a fragmented financial picture.

Brokerage firms have introduced accounts designed to consolidate many of these functions and to provide continuous generation of interest income. Generically called asset management accounts, these accounts allow for check writing priveleges with money held in money market funds.

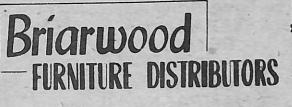
In addition, cash never sits idle for long periods of time waiting to be invested, since all cash balances are automatically invested in the money market funds. Stock and bond purchases are also done in the ac-

Most of these accounts are margin accounts, which means that investors can borrow against the value of marginable securities, (stocks and bonds), in the account. Funds can also be accessed using a Visa card.

Since disorganization affects investors' abilities to spot financial opportunities, accounts of this type streamline asset management and keep disorganization to a minimum.

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BayBanks ParticipateIn Consumer Promo

The BayBanks of Western Massachusetts are participating in a consumer promotion launched by BayBanks, Inc. of Boston which will send three winners to exotic vacation spots and give others a chance to win prize money. The cash and trip prizes total \$100,000.

The promotion, which begins April 20th, is called "The BayBanks X-Press 24 Yourself To Hawaii CashStakes." Anyone 18 or over can enter. A customer who has a BayBanks Card can enter every time he or she completes an X-Press 24 transaction at any one of the BayBanks' more than 240 X-Press 24 automated tellers. Non-cardholders can enter by asking anyone at any office of the BayBanks for an X-Press 24 demonstration. Complete details and entry forms are available at BayBank Valley in Springfield, BayBank First Easthampton and BayBank Greenfield as well as all offices of the BayBanks throughout Massachusetts.

The names of twelve winners will be drawn weekly from April 20 through May 29th, and each winner will have a chance to make cash prize withdrawals for three minutes at one of four selected X-Press 24 locations. In addition, all entrants become eligible for the grand prize drawing in which cash and vacation trips to Hawaii, the Bahamas and Bermuda will be awarded.

In addition to having X-Press 24s at most of their branch offices throughout the Commonwealth, the BayBanks have X-Press 24s at remote locations such as Logan Airport, colleges and universities, shopping mall kiosks and at the offices of major employers in Massachusetts

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"We are constantly striving for something better, and this spring, our 'Hawaii CashStakes' is just that."

Travelogue Program Offered at Laughing Brook

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is sponsoring an evening program with Interpretive Naturalist John Green of Amherst who will present a color slide travelogue. THE GANNETS AT BONAVENTURE program will be shown on Thursday evening, May 6 at 7:30 p.m.

The program features the birdlife found along the rugged coastline of Canada's Gaspe Peninsula. Here, where spruce trees grow along cliff faces, spectacular birds find refuge and secluded nesting sites.

Most spectacular of all are the gannets whose sixfoot wingspan allow them to float effortlessly on strong ocean updrafts. On land, and in their huge nesting colonies, the birds are ungainly and awkward. The GANNETS AT BONAVENTURE program is

The GANNETS AT BONAVENTURE program is open to the public. Reservations are required in advance and a small admission fee is charged. For more information, call Laughing Brook at 566-8034.





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FIRE-WISE

By Russell Jenks Acting Fire Chief

Last Chance For Spring Cleaning

The birds are back from the south; the crocuses are in bloom; your income tax is past due. There's no disputing any more that spring has sprung. With spring comes that annual ritual called spring cleaning.

If you haven't gone through your house in search of winter debris by now, you'd better hurry. Not only are your neighbors starting to talk about you, but you could be sharing your home with a number of fire hazards.

How much paper are you keeping? Old newspapers, cardboard boxes you'll never use and similar detritus? How many old cleaning rags have become thoroughly saturated with flammables like cleaning fluids, snowblower fuel, or shoe polish? In a closet, attic, or corner of the basement, a pile of such material is an invitation to spontaneous combustion. Put them in a metal garbage can, slam down the lid, and get rid of them!

Newspapers can be sold to recycling firms in most communities for a few dollars a ton - or save yourself the aggravation and announce to your area boy scout troop that your papers are there for the taking.

Have your winter appliances inspected by repairmen before you put them away. If there's a hazardous defect in your space heater or electric blanket, it'll only cost more to have it fixed in the fall...and incomparably more if the appliance sets your house on fire next winter! Snow throwers should be tuned, adjusted, and drained of fuel before they're put away for the summer.

This is a good time to edit all of your possessions. Items you never use are just more things to catch fire or to trip over if you're escaping from something else that has caught fire. Rent a mini-storage room for a few dollars and get the miscellany out from under foot. Better yet, get rid of it entirely. Give it to charity or hold a garage sale some fine weekend.

Not only is a garage sale a fine way to meet your neighbors, but you can use the money to put new batteries in your smoke detectors, recharge your old fire extinguishers, or put an escape ladder on the upstairs bedroom. Test you smoke detectors: push the test button and make sure the detector sounds. Then blow oa candle under the unit or hold a cigarette near it and make sure it responds.

Spring cleaning is another good way to inventory and inspect all your appliancs. Worn plus and extension cords? Repair or replace. Too many plugs on one outlet? /Extension cords required for every day appliances like lamps and TV? Maybe this is the year to have those extra outlets installed by a licensed electrician.

Spring cleaning gives the firewise homeowner a chance to take stock of everything in his lifestyle that affects his exposure to the dangers of fire. What a fabulous way to keep your home clean and attractive and safe to boot. Don't let it pass you by.



EDITORIAL

Pineview Circle Residents Should Stick With Issue

Although we can appreciate the deep concern residents of Pineview Circle have over a proposed 220-unit low-income housing project in their neighborhood and sympathize with their point of view, we believe their opposition to two other projects now before Town Council for zone changes is unfounded.

One, the group is basing much of their opposition against Ralph Depalma's 158-unit condominium project and the Feeding Hills business park on the fact that such developments will strain police and fire protection.

Police and fire officials will quickly explain, as they did to us, that condominium projects are the most crime-free areas of housing in the community. When is the last time a fire was reported in a condominium complex?

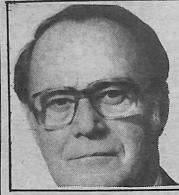
Also, the log clearly reads that among the three condominium projects we have in the community, along with Pheasant Hill Village, nearly \$600,000 in taxes is returned to the town annually. That's money in the bank each year, every year.

There is no comparison that can be meaningfully drawn between the low-income project proposed in the Pineview Circle area with condominiums ranging in price from \$65-\$100,000 and the business park in Feeding Hills.

The Pineview Circle neighbors should stick with their own area where their concerns are far more founded.

Mom Weeps Over Arcade's Survival





From The Third

By Edward W. Connelly MA State Rep. Third Hampden District

Providing Cherry Sheet Info To Cities And Towns

Several weeks ago, I indicated to you that a commitment had been made early this year by the chairmen of Ways and Means in both legislative branches to provide Cherry Sheet information to the cities and towns as soon as possible. The sense of this suggestion is based, of course, on the knowledge of the second year impact of Proposition 2 1/2.

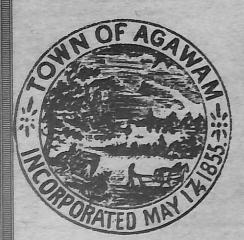
This week, the senate chairman reiterated his wish to do the early release and will do so after introduction of the house version of the fiscal 1983 budget. The budget bill will be on the calendar Wednesday and debate will commence next week.

So far, we have Governor King's \$106 million local aid package; the BETTER BUDGET proposal total for local aid to cities and towns hits \$247 million and the House version to be in the order of \$147 million. The Senate is still to be heard from!

The local aid picture is brighter than Mr. King's original message.

The main thrust of the process will still be the distribution formula. Nevertheless, when the dust settles and the budget is finally resolved, it will be gratifying to know that the cities and towns will have had advance information in order to resolve 351 different budgets simultaneously with the Commonwealth.

TOWN OF AGAWAM PUBLIC HEARING!!! PLANNED USE OF REVENUE SHARING FUNDS



The Town of Agawam's legislative body, the Town Council will conduct a public hearing on proposed use of Revenue Sharing entitlement funds and Antirecessional Fiscal Assistance Funds on Monday, May 10, 1982-8:00 o'clock P.M. at the Agawam Public Library Community Room, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA.

Citizens attending the meeting shall have the right to provide written and oral comments and suggestions respecting possible uses of these entitlement funds.

Revenue Sharing funds being considered are those of Entitlement Period 14 in the amount of \$264,030 - Previously unallocated funds in the amount of \$46,291.12 - and Antirecessional Fiscal Assistance Funds in the amount of \$1,827.24.

PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF REVENUE SHARING FUNDS Entitlement Period 14 - October 1, 1982 - Sept. 30, 1983 AND

Antirecessional Fiscal Assistance Funds Currently Available Funds Available:

Revenue Sharings Funds:

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Antirecessional Assistance Funds: \$1,827.24

PROPOSED USE: Revenue Sharing

| Dept. Code | Acct. | Department | <u>Item</u> | Amount Allocated | | |
|---------------|---|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| 022 | 402 | Police | Vehicles | \$40,000.00 | | |
| 080 | 515 | Capital Budget | Equipment | \$70,321.12 | | |
| 221 | 000 | Line Item | Street Lights | \$200,000.00 | | |
| | | | Total Revenue Sharing | | | |
| | PROPOSED USE: Antirecessional Fiscal Assistance Funds | | | | | |
| 022 | 101 | Police | Salaries Salaries | \$1,827.24 | | |

Published April 22, 1982

SCHOOL

Agawam Offers Excellence In Vocational Education

By Joanne Brown

When students in Agawam sit around to talk "shop," they are often at a loss as to where to begin. No longer is the Industrial Arts Department representative of simple "shop" classes which existed in former years.

According to Thomas Collins, overall department chairman, courses taught at the sixth through ninth grade levels are mostly exploratory in nature and present an overview of many areas of practical arts. Two department instructors at the Middle School divide duty teaching sixth graders simple metal and plastics work and seventh graders basic wood projects involving hand tools. Both of the Middle School courses are co-ed and run one-quarter of the school year, alternating with home economics, art, and music.

If students opt for industrial arts at eighth grade level, they will study general metal working for half the year and small engines and career awareness for the other half. Ninth graders split their year into thirds to focus on graphic arts, mechanical drawing, and woodworking using machine tools.

"Our ninth grade program is about half and half boys to girls," Collins says. "The girls select industrial arts because they like the diversified activities we offer

and really enjoy the classes."

High School Courses Teach Marketable Skills

According to Collins, the high school courses attempt to teach marketable skills, building on what students have already learned in lower grades. Advanced courses provide greater depth in learning and prepare students for the practical work world.

"We are placing seniors right after graduation in several local industries such as Smith and Wesson or Bay State Elevator," Collins points out, noting that students in Agawam High's drafting and graphics pro-

grams are especially in demand.

Collins explains that all of the high school courses offer "solid, basic instruction," but that more advanced training is recommended in some areas like auto mechanics because of the particularly complicated nature of that study.

Among other course offerings available to senior high students are cabinet and furniture making, structure building including surveying and design, metal



INSTRUCTOR JOHN MAGDYCZ gives students Michael Judkins, Carol Chartier, and Steve Fisher details in the popular industrial art of mechanical drawing. More and more girls are electing this course in order to fill demand in the work world. Photo by Jack Devine.

working, power mechanics including small engines such as lawnmowers and auto engines, and electronics involving radio and television repair.

Collins indicates that electronics classes teach students use of tools needed in preparation for careers in high technology. He would like to see more girls study these courses because area firms such as Digital are constantly seeking girls in this field. "They like the dexterity found in smaller hands," Collins explains.

Courses Complement Career Choices

Guidance personnel along with teachers recommend specific industrial arts courses to complement some students' career choices. Propective art majors are strongly encouraged to study mechanical drawing. Top-rated engineering colleges currently recommend at least mechanical drawing and very often electronics as well

Proficient students eventually take on wider roles within the school com-

> munity. students of

graphic arts do all of the printing for the school system, including guidebooks, course of studies booklets, prom favors, etc.

Collins estimates his department saves up to 75% of the cost that would be charged to have items printed outside the school, with the added benefit of offering students valuable, hands-on experience.

Collaborative Offers Most Advanced Classes

For those students who become very interested in industrial arts classes, Agawam offers advanced courses through the Lower Pioneer Valley Education Collaborative, a joint effort of seven school systems.

We work hand-in-hand with the collaborative which offers more advanced courses and gives students more classroom time and more hands-on experience," Collins says, adding all of Agawam's allotted openings are usually filled with no problems. Some areas like graphics are extrememly popular, though, and occa-For example, sionally Agawam has to do some trading to get in all of its students who may want those classes.

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On a vocational educa-·tion scale, Collins declares that Agawam offers as much or, in some cases, even more than others schools nearby. He would like to have one additional teacher to expand the programs, especially in machine areas. He would also like to adjust time periods to allow students more actually working time in class.

Even with imperfections in Collins' ideal image of his department, . Agawam is offering its vocationally oriented · students excellent pro-

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Spring-Time Rock Practice

THE STUDENT BAND EXODUS practices at 646 Mill Street on Patriots Day when the thermometer reached nearly 70 degrees here. From left, John Pidgeon (drummer), Mark Cardano (bass guitar), Mike Govoni (lead guitar), Carl Fancy (guitar), and Scott Cofer (lead singer) let it all hang out. All the noise could be heard at Cardano (bass guitar), Mike Govoni (lead guitar), Carl Fancy (guitar), and Scott Cofer (lead singer) let it all hang out. All the noise could be heard at Cardano (bass guitar), Mike Govoni (lead guitar), Carl Fancy (guitar), and Scott Cofer (lead singer) let it all hang out. All the noise could be heard at Cardano (bass guitar), Mike Govoni (lead guitar), Carl Fancy (guitar), and Scott Cofer (lead singer) let it all hang out. All the noise could be heard at Cardano (bass guitar), and Scott Cofer (lead singer) let it all hang out. All the noise could be heard at Cardano (bass guitar), and Scott Cofer (lead singer) let it all hang out. All the noise could be heard at Cardano (bass guitar), and Scott Cofer (lead singer) let it all hang out. All the noise could be heard at Cardano (base guitar), and Scott Cofer (lead singer) let it all hang out. dano's home on Mill Street but the neighbors, according to our photographer, didn't seem to mind. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

AHS Senior Represents Town In All-State Band

Agawam High School senior Charles Hastings recently represented this town in the All-State Band sponsored by Lions Clubs from across Massachusetts for their con-

Each year, many Lions Clubs sponsor an outstanding member of their local high school bands to be part of the all-state group which rehearses for two days prior to performing at the state convention site.

Chuck has been active in the band program in Agawam for several years, playing alto saxophone. This Parent Orientation Night year, he won a position as one of four saxophonists in for those who will have All-Western Mass. District Band.

He is also active with the Senior High Vocal Ensemble school next fall. This and was offered a position with the Western Mass. District Chorus and an opportunity to try out for All-State Chorus. Chuck has also won awards for solo/ensemble performances.

Chuck's father, Arthur, was an officer of the Agawam to ease the transition into High Band and one of a large family who were all involved in school band activities. Art is currently a member of the Shriners' Bagpipe Band.

Chuck's mother, Barbara Ruckstuhl Hastings, was also a member of the Agawam High Band as a majorette and is known for her fine voice. In high school years, she performed leading roles in the operetta "The Fortune Teller" and also in "The Wizard of Oz" as

Beaudette To Attend Boys' State Convention

Chosen to represent Agawam's Wilson Thompson are finding that their chil-American Legion Post 185 at this year's Boys' State Convention is Michael Beaudette of 125 Brien Street. The convention is scheduled to take place at Clark University in Worcester, according to Legion Adjutant

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Boys' State is a civics workshop where each represenlife as collector's items. tative participates in the practical functioning of local, county, and state government. It is a leadership action program in which qualified high school juniors take part in a practical government course designed to develop in young citizens a working knowledge of the structure of government.

Phelps P.T.O. Slates Meeting

The Phelps School P.T.O. will meet on Wednesday, April 28th, at 7:30 p.m. in the school. Detective Charles Cartello will explain Agawam's drug abuse program to fourth and fifth graders at the meeting. These children must be accompanied by an adult to at-

A question-and-answer period and refreshments will follow. The general public is invited.

Orientation Set For **Parents Of** New 8th Graders

Administrators and guidance personnel at Agawam Junior' High School have scheduled a eighth graders new to that event will take place on Tuesday, April 27th, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Junior High's auditorium.

their school by discussing curriculum and various programs offered at the Junior High with parents prior to their children's switching schools



Toy Collectibles

More and more parents dren are becoming collectors and having a good time in the bargain. And while fun is still the primary reason for buying toy vehicles,



TV's "General Lee car is popular with collectors. voung

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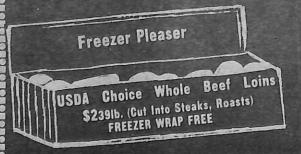


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Robinson Park P.T.O. To Meet

The Robinson Park School Parent Teachers Organization will meet on Thursday, April 29th, at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Mrs. Ann Bradford, teacher of Agawam's Project S.E.E. (Specific Enrichment Education) for academically talented fourth and fifth graders, will be guest speaker. Several of the students in the program will present highlights from their work along with a brief preview of their upcoming production of Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew."

All parents with children at the school are encouraged to attend and the meeting is open to the general public as well. Refreshments will be served.

Scout Leader Day Observed

Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. has declared April 22, 1982 as Girl Scout Leader's Day across the country.

Girl Scout Leader's Day is designed to recognize the women and men who serve as Girl Scout volunteer leaders acting as positive role models who help girls meet today's challenges and become tomorrow's competent, self-assured women.

Pioneer Valley Girl Scout Council urges that on Girl Scout Leader's Day, girls, their families, and their communities join the nationwide effort to recognize and honor Girl Scout leaders for their important work.

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Agawam Library To Offer

The Agawam Public Library, in conjunction with the Agawam Police, Fire, and Health Departments, is offering a three-part Baby Sitter Safety Program for young adults ages 12 and up. The Program will be held on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30-4:15 p.m. on May 12, 19, and 26. Certificates will be awarded to those students who attend all three programs.

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The Workshop is slated for the month of May to help prepare young adults for summer jobs. Also, the library will compile a list of the young adults who complete the Baby Sitter Safety Program. Should parents call the library looking for a babysitter, your name could be referred to them, if you wish.

Register now for this valuable program by calling 789-1550 or by dropping by the Agawam Public Library.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, April 23rd Cong. Ch. Rummage Sale 745 Main St. 10-2; 6-8

Saturday, April 24th Oldies Dinner Dance Italian Sporting Club 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 24th Grange Tag Sale Grange Hall, No. West St. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 25th Stigmatine Scholarship Committee Meeting St. Anthony's Church 7:30 P.M.

> Sunday, May 2 Feeding Hills Bible Church "Singspirations" 6:00 P.M.



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Flooding Causes Problems For Builder



When the Connecticut River crested earlier this week, eight homes being constructed by B & B Construction of Springfield on Redwood Drive, off River Road, appeared to be in deep water. The town's Conservation Commission has issued a cease and desist order in the building of the homes, but because the state holds the permit on the lot, the town is powerless to help correct the problem or stop the building completely. The town is now attempting to negotiate with the state over the area, which it contends is a wetland, has serious flooding problems and is a health hazard as these photos seem to indicate. Advertiser/News Photo By Jack Devine

Photography Workshop At Laughing Brook

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is offering a 3-session NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP beginning Sunday, May 2 from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

William A. Tompkins, former City Naturalist of Springfield, is the instructor. His photographic abilities have won him numerous recognition awards in various countries, especially in the nature slide competitions.

The photography workshop is for work with 35 mm cameras, using either color or black and white film. Subject concentration is "nature in spring." An indoor orientation, an outside work session and a final critique are scheduled for the course. Basic ability with camera use is a prerequisite.

The NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP is open to adults. Registration is required as space is limited and a fee is charged. For more information call Laughing Brook at 566-8034.

WSC Plans Seminar On Alcoholism On The Job

Alcoholism in the Workplace, a one-day seminar designed to present information on ways to deal with the problem of alcoholism on the job, will be presented at Westfield State College on May 6. Intended for managers, supervisors, personnel directors, and employee assistance personnel, the seminar will be cosponsored by the Thomas W. McGee Unit of Hillcrest Hospital in Pittsfield.

Alcoholism in the workplace is a problem that has reached epidemic proportions - and one that is costing American employers billions of dollars every year. Over 80 percent of all problem drinkers are employed, according to government estimates.

Confronted with an employee who is an alcoholic, employers are increasingly realizing that treatment is far more beneficial than termination - for both the employer and the employee.

Highlights of the May 6 seminar will include sessions on the costs of alcoholism to employers, how supervisors unwittingly cover up for alcoholic employees, employee assistance programs, and medical aspects of treating alcoholism.

Leaders of the seminar will be Tom Haviland-Director of Community Industrial Relations, Hillcrest Hospital, Pittsfield; James McFarlane-Director, Springfield Mental Health Consortuim E.A.P.; Sarah Hall-Supervising Nurse, McGee Unit, Hillcrest Hospital.

Further information and registration for the seminar is available from the Office of Economic Development Projects, Westfield State College, 568-3311, Ext. 230.

WSC Plans Exchange Concert

Dean Junior College and Westfield State College will be offering an exchange concert at Westfield State on Tuesday, April 27 at 2:15 p.m. The concert, featuring Dean Junior College's Madrigal Ensemble and Choraliers and Westfield's Chorale and Jazz Rock Singers, will be held in Bates Hall, room 117. Admission to the two-hour production is free and open to the public.

Conductors will include Teri Gemberling-Johnson, music instructor at Dean; L. Kenneth Manzer, WSC assistant music professor; and Theodore Davidovich, WSC associate music professor.

This marks the first time that Westfield State has offered an exchange concert. Dean Junior College students will be staying on in Westfield to attend that evening's performance of "Jesus Christ Superstar" at 8 p.m. in Dever Auditorium, Westfield State College.

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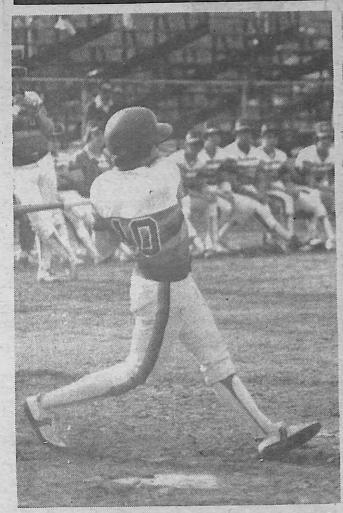
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SPORTS



IN FIRST INNING ACTION AGAINST MIN-NECHAUG ON TUESDAY, senior Scott Negrucci boomed a tremendous homer off All-Western Mass hurler Mike Presz to get the locals well on their way to a convincing 6-2 victory. Negrucci's shot was a two-run job. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.



KEEPING HIS HEAD DOWN during action in a 3-3 tie with Westfield on opening day last Friday is senior Scott Negrucci of Agawam. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

Brownies Overpower Minnechaug With Big First, 6-2

By Chris Hout

Agawam High bolted out of the gate with a four run first inning Tuesday to carry themselves to a 6-2 victory over Minnechaug in schoolboy baseball action at Harmon Smith Field.

The win, Agawam's first this season, follows a 3-3 tie with defending Western Mass. champion Westfield last Friday, a game in which the Brownies could muster

just four hits in nine innings.
But, against Minnechaug's All-Western Mass. hurler Mike Presz, they reached that output with their first four batters of the game.

After junior Bobby Eggleston beat out an infield hit to short, Presz was greeted by a mammoth homer to left center by senior Scott Negrucci.

Timmy Ayre then rifled a double and scored on catcher Kevin Barnes' long triple to right center field. Keith Mercadante then plated Barnes with a sacrifice fly to center.

"This team just has tremendous power," said veteran coach Gerry Smith. "The snow put us inside for a while and hurt us because we didn't face live pitching. But we hit very well today and I'm pleased.

Minnechaug, now 0-1 in the B-Division, threatened against winning pitcher Paul Dezielle in the third but could only come up with one run.

Dezielle walked two and yielded two singles in the inning but was aided by Barnes' pick-off of a Minnechaug runner from-second base.

Minnechaug scored their final run of the day in the

fifth on two Agawam errors and a groundout.

Dezielle, who had a touch of wildness throughout the afternoon, was lifted with one out in the sixth in favor of senior Dave Vecchiarelli. Vecchiarelli went an inning and a third, giving up no runs, no hits, walking walking one and striking out none.

Boo Smith, who had 16 strikeouts against Westfield last Friday, relieved Vecchiarelli and struck out the final Minnechaug hitter to end the game.

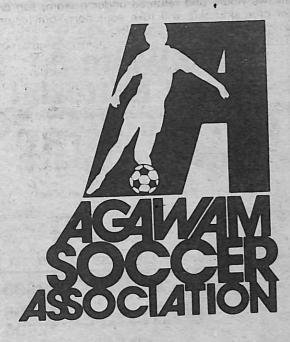
Dezielle, now 1-0, pitched five and one third innings, giving up two runs (one earned), two hits, striking out eight and walking nine.

For the day, Agawam pitching struckout nine and

walked ten.

"I know that the walks have been way up there in the last two games," said Smith. "But really, I'm pretty pleased with the pitching. We don't really have any control pitchers on the team. Therefore, we are going to give up our share of walks, but we will get our share of strikeouts, too.

BROWNIE NOTES: Negrucci's two-run blast in the first would have been well into the tennis courts on the old field...Scout Joe Lewis of the Detroit Tigers was in attendance watching the progress of Barnes.



Final Fall Registration

Girl's Leagues - Boy's Leagues Pioneer Valley Leagues

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Interested Players Must Arrive At The Field 1/2 Hour Prior To Tryouts. Register At Desk Before Taking Field. Players Coming To The Pioneer Valley Tryouts Must Be Registered With The Agawam Soccer Association First.

Girls Tracksters Out In Force



TAMI FASSNACHT outdistances the competition enroute to a victory in the low hurdles during girls varsity track action against Longmeadow on Tuesday. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.



SHOWING HER FORM IN THE JAVELIN EVENT is Agawam's Karen Wesley. The Brownies bowed to Longmeadow 77-44 on Tuesday in their opening meet of the season. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Muffler Shop Ready For Spring Campaign

Agawam Roadrunner Muffler Shop's boys soccer team will be opening up its 1982 spring soccer season against 16 acres on Sunday morning in Agawam.

The team members include Mike Cormier, John Duggan, Tony Caputo, Arthur Chase, Willie Fairlee, Tom Fontaine, David Jenks, Kurt Murphy, Billy O'Brien, Mike Petrone, Jim Podgorski, Phil Podgorski, Carmen Romeo and George Romeo. The team is coached by Bill O'Brien.

The boys had a scrimmage against West Springfield on Sunday with the game ending in a 1-1 tie.

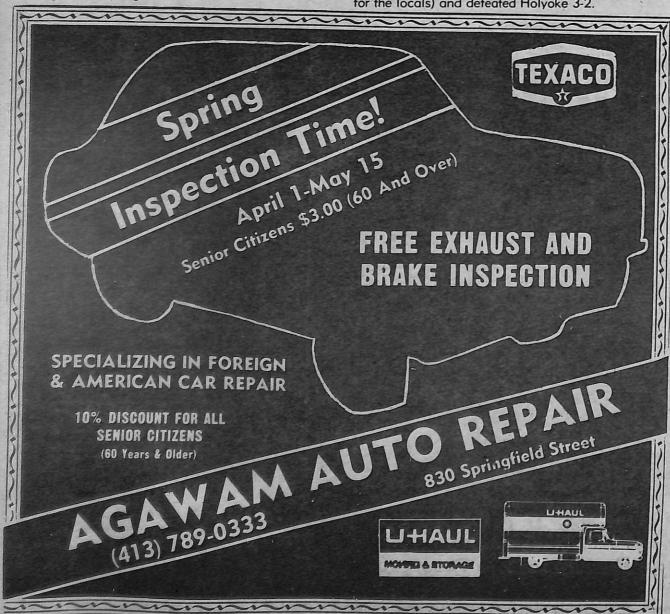
The team will be playing in a very competitive under 19 league this spring.

Polish Club Under 16 Soccer To Open On Sunday

The Agawam Polish Club under 16 girls spring soccer team will play their first game of the new season in the Pioneer Valley Soccer League on Saturday, April 24th against 16 Acres in East Longmeadow.

The team is coached by Bill O'Brien now in his sixth season. The team members include; Lisa Chevalier, Diane Duclos, Michele Duclos, Sue Ellen Goelhert, Diane Goodman, Sue Harpin, Pam Marganti, Julie Miodowski, Chris McCarthy, Leslie Neilson, Jennifer O'Brien, Tammie Potter, Pam Rowen, Lee Anne Sandlin, Suzanne Spence, Missy Sullivan, Carrie Szofla and Michele Yoon.

The girls have played scrimmages against West Springfield in preparation of the spring season (2-0 victory for the locals) and defeated Holyoke 3-2.





Sportsmen's Corner

By Bill Chiba

Saturday, the day that the fish limit went from three to six on trout, was an ideal day for the hundreds of anglers who went in quest of their limit. Congamond's both public launching areas were busy all day.

Quabbin opened on Saturday and was visited by a horde of fishermen. Tony Marciel and Paul Quaglini arrived at Gate 8 at 1:30 a.m. and were 84th in line. The gate opened at 5 a.m. The anxious duo had their limit of lakers by noon and were home by 1:30 p.m.

A new state record was broken by a young fellow from Holyoke trolling a mooselook wobbler. Kenny LaBare hooked on to a 21 pound, 2 ounce laker that had a girth of 2014 inches and a length of 38 inches. The large fish coughed up a 14-inch rainbow when it landed in the bottom of the boat.

Connecticut has an opening day on trout. The fishing season closed on February 28th and opened again on April 17th. During the time the season was closed, the state stocked approximately 60% of 818,000 trout in 250 streams and 80 lakes. The remainder of the trout will be stocked by June 1st. This season's allotment of trout included 538,000 brown trout, 190,000 rainbows, and 90,000 brook trout. As in prior years, a limited number of trophy sized fish from excess brood stock will be dispersed through the season's releases for more fortunate anglers.

The department is no longer offering cash awards for Atlantic salmon caught in the Connecticut River," Commissioner DeCarli said. "The salmon restoration program has progressed to the point where, although information on catches of adult salmon is welcome, providing a financial incentive for retaining salmon taken by anglers is no longer appropriate or necessary. Atlantic salmon smolts will be released during the spring. Every effort should be made to avoid taking these sub-legal fish so they can migrate to the sea to return in two years as eight-to-ten pound adults.

Good catches of fluke, flounders, and other salt water bottom species are being reported. Quincy Bay is

Skip Rising has his boat in tiptop shape and is taking reservations for this season. If you want some of the best blue fishing to be had then Skip is your captain. On an excursion last year, the wife and I caught over 38 fighting, snarling, teeth-chomping blues in less than two hours and returned under a warm sun and clear blue sky. Skip will take your party out for any species that you want to go after.

There have been changes in regulations governing recreational fishing in Long Island Sound. The regs took effect January 1, 1982. There are new length limits on three popular marine species and a creel limit for striped bass less than 24 inches in length.



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Louis in the photo at left, 10016.



Do you recognize Gene and Red Burman shakes

Jim Jacobs, who collects One of these photos and preserves old fight bout, the fight between Jim Joe Louis, who is in two Jeffries and Tom Sharkey,

The collector of fight films is so eager to purchase Boxing fan Jim Jacobs, these movies that he offers who sent in these photos, to pay a great price and to reports that Jim Jeffries is give the owner back the old the fighter in the top photo. film plus a new film made Gene Tunney is stooped from it plus a tape that can

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Walsh - From P. 4

The Third Hampden District includes Agawam, Southwick, Tolland, Granville, Blandford, Montgomery, Chester, and Russell.

He said he believes his educational background and experience as aide to Connelly for the past three years "uniquely" qualifies him for the job and has provided him with insight and expertise into the legislative pro-

Walsh added that serving the needs of constituents on a personal level, a major responsibility of his duties as legislative aide, "makes me very aware of what the taxpayers are thinking."

During the 25-minute press meeting, Walsh fielded a variety of questions, ranging from toxic waste and crime and capital punishment to his association with

Walsh said the issue of chemical wastes must be seriously studied, but added that he will not support chemical waste facility in his district due to the possible hazards to the district's crucial water supply

He said he favors strict sentences for criminals and would favor building more state prisons to house criminals. He said he favors capital punishment as a punitive measure "so society can protect itself."

Solving Constituency Problems

Asked about his association with Connelly, Walsh said he has learned that solving contituency problems cornerstones any political career.

"Whoever is elected to this seat will have some very big shoes to fill. But I'd like to break in some shoes of my own," Walsh said.

He said he does not expect his old boss to endorse any candidate prior to the Democratic primary and said he respects any decision on the matter Connelly may make after the primary

Walsh is a lifelong resident of Agawam and a graduate of Agawam High School in 1974. He has a bachelor's degree in political science from St. Anselm's College in Manchester, New Hampshire. He has served as a coach in the Agawam Soccer Association and as a member of the Scholarship Committee for the Agawam Athletic Association.

He has also worked as a legislatve assistant for the state District Attorney's Association.

He resides at 475 Corey Street.

Game Room-From P.1

Committee Appointed

Councilors Daniel Lacienski and Walter T. Kerr, both in favor of closing the game room, and Councilors Stephen Cincotta, Dennis Roberts and Peter Mazza were appointed to a committee that will meet with DeSimone and Chmielewski to write the restrictions.

Both Lacienski and Kerr said they had received numerous phone calls from residents supporting Chmielewski's recommendation to close the game

room.
"I wasn't at all happy with the way things turned out, but we now have to sit down and do our best to make sure this problem does not happen again in the future," said Laciensk*

"As far as I'm concerned, if there is any further trouble in the Village Shops due to this game room, I will put suspending its license back on the agenda as swiftly as possible," he concluded.

Roberts - From P. 4

mulas. This is not right and we need strong representation in Boston to make that point clear.

Roberts also believes that in years past the legislature has imposed special programs and costs on local government without providing a mechanism to fund the costs, resulting in greater burdens on the property taxpayer. With Proposition 2½, the legislature must act responsibly in providing adequate funding. He declares "What we need in the legislature are more representatives and fewer lawmakers.

Roberts is a delegate to the Democratic state nominating convention in Springfield and was formerly a delegate to the state's Democratic state issues convention. He resides with this wife Carlene at 19 Sutton Place in Agawam and is an account executive at Positions Inc., in West Springfield.

Wagner - From P. 4

resulted in over \$800,000 worth of private investment in West Springfield's oldest neighborhoods. He also assisted 250 homeowners with residential improvements and energy grants in the same neighborhoods. He was also instrumental in convincing West Springfield to join the Coalition of Western Massachusetts Governments and Institutions which challenges the rate increase requests of the Western Massachusetts Electric Company.

Wagner added that he would also pay special attention to a variety of local problems which the state has either created or failed to solve.

"Throughout this district, communities have been regularly disappointed by their state government. Whether it be a brook dredging in West Springfield or repairs to the North End Bridge, be it the lack of adequate funding for school transportation or road improvements for rural communities, the message is always the same. State government has been synonymous with delays, broken promises, and over-regulation," Wagner said, adding, "As a State Senator, I would place a high priority on resolving these types of problems.

Wagner is thirty years old, a director of the West Springfield Boys' and Girls' Club and a director for the West Springfield Counseling Center. He has been involved in the town's youth basketball program and is a member of the West Springfield Rotary Club.

Wagner has a B.A. in political science and a master's degree in business administration from American International College. He and his wife Bali reside at 76 Elmdale Street in West Springfield.





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